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Inventor(s): Nobuaki TSUJINO) Filed: December 2, 2003
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Sir:

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The mistakes identified in the appended Form occurred through no fault of the Applicant, as clearly disclosed by the records of the application, which matured into this patent. Enclosed for your convenience are the relevant portions of an amendment filed on November 12, 2004.

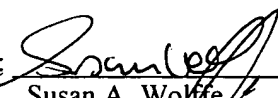
Issuance of the Certificate of Correction containing the corrections is respectfully requested. Since these changes are necessitated through no fault of the Applicant, no fee is believed to be associated with this request. Nonetheless, should the Patent and Trademark Office determine that a fee is required, please charge our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

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In Claim 5, column 11, line 56:

“claim 2” has been replaced with --claim 1--;

In Claim 6, column 11, line 59:

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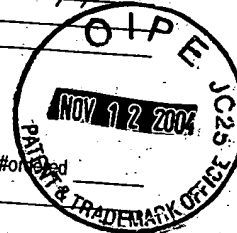
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 23, 2004, please amend this application and consider the following remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 10 of this paper.

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Canceled)

2. (Currently amended) ~~The file described in claim 1~~ A file for papers or leaves comprising a cover sheet body and a binding member comprising a ring-shaped body, wherein the ring-shaped body is mounted on the cover sheet body, wherein the ring-shaped body comprises first and second hinges at predetermined positions, the predetermined positions being located away from the top of the ring-shaped body, wherein a portion ahead of the hinges of the ring-shaped body can incline,

wherein the ring-shaped body comprises ~~a pair of~~ first and second openable and closable ring chips and each distal end portion of the ring chips is engaged to close a space between the ring chips,

a wherein the first hinge is arranged on one of the ring chips the first ring chip and the second hinge comprises an engaging arrangement to engage a distal end portion of one of the ring chips the first ring chip with the other second ring chip in a relatively rotatable manner is established to be a second hinge.

3. (Currently amended) The file described in claim 2 wherein ~~the engaging arrangement is so arranged that at the distal end portion of one ring chip formed is of the first and second ring chips~~ comprises a projecting portion that projects toward the distal end portion of the other ring chip of the first and second ring chips when the space between the ring chips is closed,
at the distal end portion of the other ring chip formed is comprises an axial hole that accommodates the projecting portion when the space between the ring chips is closed, and each distal end portion of the ring chips is relatively rotatable by a concavo-convex engagement of the projecting portion and the axial hole by making use of wherein the projecting portion as provides a rotational axis and the axial hole as provides a bearing.

4. (Currently amended) The file described in claim 3 wherein ~~a notch is formed by cutting off~~ at least a part of an inner face of the axial hole has a notch so that an opening edge of the axial hole expands toward a direction to which the ring chips open or close.

5. (Currently amended) The file described in claim 3 wherein ~~a~~ the distal end portion of the projecting portion is ~~treated to be a~~ sphere.

~~6. (Currently amended) The file described in claim 2 wherein a radius face in a partial sphere shape is formed at a~~ the projecting end of one of the ring chips has a radius face in a partial sphere shape.

~~7. (Currently amended) The file described in claim 2 wherein a radius face in a partial sphere shape is formed at each of the projecting ends~~ end of the each ring chip chip has a radius face in a partial sphere shape.

8. (Currently amended) ~~The file described in claim 1 wherein~~ A file for papers or leaves comprising a cover sheet body and a binding member comprising a ring-shaped body, wherein the ring-shaped body is mounted on the cover sheet body, wherein the ring-shaped body comprises first and second hinges at predetermined positions, and wherein a portion ahead of the hinges of the ring-shaped body can incline, and
further comprising a stopper to retain an angle of the hinge and to maintain the portion ahead of the hinge in an inclined position.

9. (Currently amended) ~~The file described in claim 8~~ A file for papers or leaves comprising a cover sheet body and a binding member comprising a ring-shaped body, wherein the ring-shaped body is mounted on the cover sheet body, wherein the ring-shaped body comprises first and second hinges at predetermined positions, and wherein a portion ahead of the hinges of the ring-shaped body can incline,
wherein one hinge connects first and second members of the ring-shaped body and comprises a stopper to retain an angle of the hinge;

CONCLUSION

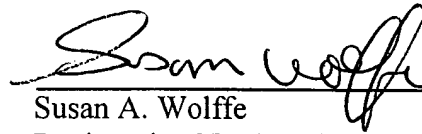
In view of the above amendments and remarks, withdrawal of the instant rejections and issuance of a Notice of Allowance are requested. If any additional fees are required or if an overpayment is made, the Commissioner is authorized to debit or credit our Deposit Account No. 19-0733, accordingly.

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